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PRESS RELEASE

Fire Marshal Chris Siwy announced today the start of this year's Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

The contest theme is "FIRE PREVENTION – EVERYONE/EVERYDAY'. Its purpose is to promote child and adult awareness of fire prevention responsibilities.

The annual statewide competition for fourth and fifth graders beginning October 1, 2009, is run by elementary school teachers in cooperation with the contest sponsors: The Connecticut Fire Marshal's Association, Office of the State Fire Marshal, Connecticut Fire Chiefs' Association, State Board of Education and the Connecticut FAIR Plan (representing the insurance industry).

All winning posters on the county level will be exhibited in various areas around the State, including the State Capitol during the month of October. From these, a state winner will be chosen to promote fire prevention throughout the State.

Fire Marshal Chris Siwy will be conducting the poster judging contest on December 9, 2009 to determine this year's local winner.